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United States Department of Agriculture

NOTICE TO THE TRADE

BCD-118

Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services **Date:** January 18, 2006

Farm Service Agency

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All Warehouse Operators Approved Under the Peanut Storage Agreement

(PSA)

1400 Independence Avenue, SW Stop 0550 Washington, DC

Sale of a Portion of Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC)-Owned Peanuts

for Restricted Use (Crush Only)

Currently, CCC owns approximately 26,726 tons of peanuts which are on The Seam catalog available for sale.

CCC has concluded the restricted use (crush only) sales of 5,000 tons under the terms of Notice to the Trade BCD-116. Effective immediately, CCC will consider bids to sell all remaining inventory as either restricted use (crush only) or unrestricted use, on a lot by lot basis. To review CCC's available peanut inventory and place bids, interested parties must first enter into a participation agreement with The Seam. While there is no cost to participate or place bids, The Seam will charge successful bidders a fee of \$0.75 for each ton of peanuts purchased.

To participate in the online peanut sales, please visit http://www.theseam.com/participate.aspx and download the **Peanut Participation Agreement** on the left side of the page. You may also want to download a copy of the **Rules and Terms**. For more information about The Seam, contact Kevin Brinkley at (901) 374-0374, email kevin.brinkley@theseam.com or Charles Garner at (478) 988-1125, email charles.garner@theseam.com.

Refer to Notice to the Trade (BCD-110), issued on September 1, 2005, for further details.

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